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(57) Abstract: A method for automatic document classification based on a combined use of the projection and the distance of the differential document vectors to the differential latent semantics index (DLSI) spaces. The method includes the setting up of a DLSI space-based classifier and the use of such classifier to evaluate the possibility of a document belonging to a given cluster using a posteriori probability function.

NEW DIFFERENTIAL LSI SPACE-BASED PROBABILISTIC
DOCUMENT CLASSIFIER

5   ## BACKGROUND OF THE INVENTION

Field of the Invention

The present invention is related to the field of document classification and, more

10   particularly, to a method for automatic document classification based on a combined use

of the projection and the distance of the differential document vectors to the differential

latent semantics index (DLSI) spaces.

Description of the Related Art

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Document classification is important not only in office document processing but

also in implementing an efficient information retrieval system. The latter is gaining

importance with the explosive use of distributed computer networks such as the Internet.

For example, even the most popular document classification tasks in Yahoo® are totally

20   done by humans.

The vector space model is widely used in document classification, where each

document is represented as a vector of terms. To represent a document by a document

vector, weights are assigned to its components usually evaluating the frequency of

occurrences of the corresponding terms. Then the standard pattern recognition and

25   machine learning methods are employed for document classification.

In view of the inherent flexibility imbedded within any natural language, a

staggering number of dimensions are required to represent the featuring space of any

practical document comprising the huge number of terms used. If a speedy classification

algorithm can be developed, the first problem to be resolved is the dimensionality

reduction scheme enabling the documents' term projection onto a smaller subspace.

Basically there are two types of approaches for projecting documents or reducing

the documents' dimensions. One is a local method, often referred to as truncation, where a

5　number of "unimportant" or "irrelevant" terms are deleted from a document vector, the

importance of a term being evaluated often by a weighting system based on its frequency

of occurrences in the document. The method is called local because each document is

projected into a different subspace but its effect is minimal in document vectors because

the vectors are sparse. The other approach is called a global method, where the terms to be

10　deleted are chosen first, ensuring that all the document vectors are projected into the same

subspace with the same terms being deleted from each document. In the process, the

global method loses some of the important features of adaptability to the unique

characteristics of each document. Accordingly, a need exists for ways to improve this

adaptability.

15　　　　Like an eigen decomposition method extensively used in image processing and

image recognition, the Latent Semantic Indexing (LSI) with Singular Value

Decomposition (SVD) has proved to be a most efficient method for the dimensionality

reduction scheme in document analysis and extraction, providing a powerful tool for the

classifier when introduced into document retrieval with a good performance confirmed

20　by empirical studies. A distinct advantage of LSI-based dimensionality reduction lies in

the fact that among all the projections on all the possible space having the same

dimensions, the projection of the set of document vectors on the LSI space has a lowest

possible least-square distance to the original document vectors. This implies that the LSI

finds an optimal solution to dimensional reduction. In addition to the role of

dimensionality reduction, the LSI with SVD also is effective in offering a dampening

effect of synonymy and polysemy problems with which a simple scheme of deleting

terms cannot be expected to cope. Also known as a word sense disambiguation problem,

the source of synonymy and polysemy problems can be traced to inherent characteristics

5   of context sensitive grammar of any natural language. Having the two advantages, the

LSI has been found to provide a most popular dimensional reduction tool.

The global projection scheme encounters a difficulty in adapting to the unique

characteristics of each document and a method must be developed to improve an adverse

performance of a document classifier due to this inability.

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SUMMARY OF THE INVENTION

In view of the foregoing, one object of the present invention is a document

15   classifier method that retains adaptability to the unique characteristics of individual

documents.

In accordance with this and other objects, the present invention introduces a new

efficient supervised document classification procedure, whereby learning from a given

number of labeled documents preclassified into a finite number of appropriate clusters in

20   the database, the classifier developed will select and classify any of new documents

introduced into an appropriate cluster within the classification stage.

The classifier of the present invention makes use of the distance from each

document vector to the LSI space onto which the document vectors are projected.

Exploiting both of the distances to, and the projections onto, the LSI space improves the

25   performance as well as the robustness of the document classifier. To do this, the major

vector space is the differential LSI (or DLSI) space which is formed from the differences

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between normalized intra- and extra-document vectors and normalized centroid vectors

of clusters where the intra- and extra-document refers to the documents included within

or outside of the given cluster respectively. To evaluate the possibility of a document

belonging to a cluster, the new classifier sets up a Bayesian posteriori probability function

5   for the differential document vectors based on their projections on DLSI space and their

distances to the DLSI space, selecting the candidate having a highest probability.

At least three specific features are introduced into the new document

classification scheme based on the concept of the differential document vector and the

DLSI vectors. First, by exploiting the characteristic distance of the differential document

10   vector to the DLSI space and the projection of the differential document onto the DLSI

space, which denote the differences in word usage between the document and a cluster's

centroid vector, the differential document vector is capable of capturing the relation

between the particular document and the cluster. Second, a major problem of context

sensitive semantic grammar of natural language related to synonymy and polysemy can

15   be dampened by the major space projection method endowed in the LSI's used. Finally, a

maximum for the posteriori likelihood function making use of the projection of the

differential document vector onto the DLSI space and the distance to the DLSI space

provides a consistent computational scheme in evaluating the degree of reliability of the

document belonging to the cluster.

20   According to the present invention, given a document, the document vector and

its normalized form can be directly set up exploiting the terms appearing in the document

and their frequency of occurrences in the document, and possibly also in other documents.

The centroid of a cluster is given by the average of the sums of the normalized vectors of

its members. The cosine of a pair of normalized document vectors measures the length of the pair of normalized document vectors.

To obtain an intra- DLSI space, or an I-DLSI space, a differential term by intra-document matrix where each column of the matrix is constructed where each column of the matrix denotes the difference between the document and the centroid of the cluster to which the document belongs. Now, exploiting the singular vector decomposition method, the major left singular vectors associated with the largest singular values are selected as a major vector space called an intra- DLSI space, or an I-DLSI space. The I-DLSI space is effective in roughly describing the differential intra-document vectors, while the distance from a differential intra-document vector to the DLSI space can be effectively used as additive information to improve adaptability to the unique characteristics of the particular differential document vector. Given a new document to be classified, a best candidate cluster to be recalled from the clusters can be selected from among those clusters having the highest probabilities of being the given differential intra-document vector. The probability function for a differential document vector being a differential intra-document vector is calculated according to projection and distance from the differential document vector to I-DLSI space.

The extra- DLSI space, or the E-DLSI space can similarly be obtained by setting up a differential term by extra-document matrix where each column of the matrix denotes a differential document vector between the document vector and the centroid vector of the cluster which does not include the document. The extra-DLSI space may then be constructed by the major left singular vectors associated with the largest singular values. As in the intra-DLSI space, in addition to the global description capability, the space shares the improved adaptability to the unique characteristics of the particular differential

document vector. Given a new document to be classified, a best candidate cluster to be recalled from the clusters can be selected from among those clusters having the lowest probabilities of being the given differential intra-document vector.

Integrating the concepts of the differential intra- and extra- document vectors, a

5   Bayesian posteriori likelihood function is set up providing a most probable similarity measure of a document belonging to a cluster. As already noted, the projections of differential document vectors onto I-DLSI, and E-DLSI spaces, and the distances from the vectors to these spaces, according to the present invention have an advantage over the conventional LSI space-based approach; namely, in addition to the role of the length of

10   projection of the differential document vectors, which is equivalent to that of cosines of angles in the LSI space-based approach, the distance of the differential document vectors to the projected DLSI space allows the evaluation of the similarity measure of each individual document which the global method generally fails. The present invention, using both the projections as well as the distances of differential vectors to the DLSI

15   spaces, provides much richer information.

These and other features of the invention, as well as many of the intended advantages thereof, will become more readily apparent when reference is made to the following description taken in conjunction with the accompanying drawings.

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BRIEF DESCRIPTION OF THE DRAWINGS

Figure 1 is a flow diagram describing the setting up of a DLSI spaced-based classifier in accordance with the present invention; and

Figure 2 is a flow diagram of the procedure for automatic classification of a

25   document by a DLSI space-based classifier in accordance with the present invention.

DETAILED DESCRIPTION OF THE PREFERRED EMBODIMENTS

5   In describing a preferred embodiment of the invention, specific terminology will

be resorted to for the sake of clarity. However, the invention is not intended to be limited

to the specific terms so selected, and it is to be understood that each specific term includes

all technical equivalents which operate in a similar manner to accomplish a similar

purpose.

10   To begin with a few basic concepts, a term is defined as a word or a phrase that

appears in at least two documents. So-called stop words such as "a", "the", "of" and so

forth are excluded. The terms that appear in the documents may representatively be

selected and listed as $t_1, t_2, \cdots, t_m$.

For each document j in the collection, each of the terms with a real vector

15      $(a_{1j}, a_{2j}, \cdots, a_{mj})$, is assigned with $a_{ij} = f_{ij} \cdot g_i$, where f_{ij} is the local weighting of the

term t_i in the document indicating the significance of the term in the document, while g_i

is a global weight of all the documents, which is a parameter indicating the importance of

the term in representing the documents. Local weights may be either raw occurrence

counts, Boolean, or logarithm of occurrence count. Global weights may be no weighting

20   (uniform), domain specific, or entropy weighting. Both the local and global weights are

thoroughly studied in the literature, and will not be discussed further herein. An example

is given below:

$$f_{ij} = \log(1 + O_{ij}) \text{ and } g_i = 1 - \tfrac{1}{\log n} \sum_{j=1}^{N} p_{ij} \log p_{ij},$$

where $p_{ij} = \frac{O_{ij}}{d_i}$, d_i the total number of times a term t_i appears in the collection, O_{ij} the number of times the term t_i appears in the document j, and n the number of documents in the collection. The document vector $(a_{1j}, a_{2j}, \cdots, a_{mj})$ can be normalized as $(b_{1j}, b_{2j}, \cdots, b_{mj})$ by the following formula:

$$b_{ij} = a_{ij} \Big/ \sqrt{\sum_{k=1}^{m} a_{kj}^2} \quad \dots\dots\dots\dots\dots\dots\dots\dots\dots\dots\dots\dots\dots\dots\dots\dots\dots\dots\dots\dots(1)$$

The normalized centroid vector $C = (c_1, c_2, \cdots, c_m)$ of a cluster can be calculated in terms of the normalized vector as $c_i = s_i \Big/ \sqrt{\sum_{j=1}^{m} s_i^2}$, where $(s_1, s_2, \cdots, s_m)^T$ is a mean vector of the member documents in the cluster which are normalized as $T_1, T_2, \cdots, T_k$. The vector $(s_1, s_2, \cdots, s_m)^T$ can be expressed as $(s_1, s_2, \cdots, s_m)^T = \frac{1}{k}\sum_{j=1}^{k} T_j$.

A differential document vector is defined as $T - C$ where T and C are respectively a normalized document vector and a normalized centroid vector satisfying some criteria as given above.

A differential intra-document vector D_I is the differential document vector defined as $T - C$, where T and C are respectively a normalized document vector and a normalized centroid vector of a cluster in which the document T is included.

A differential extra-document vector D_E is the differential document vector defined as $T - C$, where T and C are respectively a normalized document vector and a normalized centroid vector of a cluster in which the document T is not included.

The differential terms by intra- and extra-document matrices D_I and D_E are respectively defined as a matrix, each column of which comprises a differential intra- and extra- document vector, respectively.

According to the posteriori model, any differential term by document m-by-n matrix of D, say, of rank $i \le q = \min(m, n)$, whether it is a differential term by

intra-document matrix D_I or a differential term by extra-document matrix D_E can be decomposed by SVD into a product of three matrices: $D = USV^T$, such that U (left singular matrix) and V (right singular matrix) are m-by-q and q-by-n unitary matrices, respectively, with the first r columns of U and V being the eigen vectors of DD^T and

5    $D^T D$, respectively. Here S is called singular matrix expressed by $S = diag(\delta_1, \delta_2, \cdots, \delta_q)$, where δ_i are non-negative square roots of eigen values of DD^T, $\delta_i > 0$ for $i \leq r$ and $\delta_i = 0$ for $i > r$.

The diagonal elements of S are sorted in decreasing order of magnitude. To obtain a new reduced matrix S_k, the k-by-k leftmost-upper corner matrix ($k<r$) of S is kept and

10   other terms are deleted. Similarly, two new matrices U_k and V_k are obtained by keeping the leftmost k columns of U and V respectively. The product of U_k, S_k and V_k^T provides a reduced matrix D_k of D which approximately equals to D.

Selection of an appropriate value of k, a reduced degree of dimension from the original matrix, depends on the type of applications. Generally, $k \geq 100$ for

15    $1000 \leq n \leq 3000$ is chosen, and the corresponding k is normally smaller for the differential term by intra-document matrix than that for the differential term by extra-document matrix, because the differential term by extra-document matrix normally has more columns than has the differential term by intra-document matrix.

Each of differential document vector q could find a projection on the k

20   dimensional fact space spanned by the k columns of U_k. The projection can easily be obtained by $U_k^T q$.

Noting that the mean $\bar{x}$ of the differential intra-(extra-) document vectors is approximately 0, it may be assumed that the differential vectors formed follow a

high-dimensional Gaussian distribution so that the likelihood of any differential vector x will be given by

$$P(x|D) = \frac{\exp[-\frac{1}{2}d(x)]}{(2\pi)^{n/2}|\Sigma|^{1/2}},$$

where $d(x) = x^T \Sigma^{-1} x$ and Σ is the covariance of the distribution computed from the training set expressed $\Sigma = \frac{1}{n}DD^T$.

Since δ_i^2 constitutes the eigen values of DD^T, then $S^2 = U^T DD^T U$, and thus

$$d(x) = nx^T(DD^T)^{-1}x = nx^T US^{-2}U^T x = ny^T S^{-2} y, \text{ where } y = U^T x = (y_1, y_2, \cdots, y_n)^T.$$

Because S is a diagonal matrix, $d(x)$ can be expressed in a simpler form as $d(x) = n\sum_{i=1}^{r} \frac{y_i^2}{\delta_i^2}$. It is most convenient to estimate it as

$$\overline{d}(x) = n\left(\sum_{i=1}^{k} \frac{y_i^2}{\delta_i^2} + \frac{1}{\rho}\sum_{i=k+1}^{r} y_i^2\right).$$

where $\rho = \frac{1}{r-k}\sum_{i=k+1}^{r} \delta_i^2$. In practice, δ_i ($i>k$) could be estimated by fitting a function (for example, $1/i$) to the available δ_i ($i \le k$), or by letting $\rho = \delta_{k+1}^2/2$ since it is only necessary to compare the relative probability. Because the columns of U are orthogonal vectors, $\sum_{i=k+1}^{r} y_i^2$ may be estimated by $\|x\|^2 - \sum_{i=1}^{k} y_i^2$. Thus, the likelihood function $P(x|D)$ may be estimated by

$$\overline{P}(x|D) = \frac{n^{1/2}\exp\left(-\frac{n}{2}\sum_{i=1}^{k}\frac{y_i^2}{\delta_i^2}\right)\cdot\exp\left(-\frac{n\varepsilon^2(x)}{2\rho}\right)}{(2\pi)^{n/2}\prod_{i=1}^{k}\delta_i \cdot \rho^{(r-k)/2}} \quad\text{.......................(2)}$$

where $y = U_k^T x$, $\varepsilon^2(x) = \|x\|^2 - \sum_{i=1}^{k} y_i^2$, $\rho = \frac{1}{r-k}\sum_{i=k+1}^{r} \delta_i^2$, and r is the rank of matrix D.

In practice, ρ may be chosen as $\delta_{k+1}^2/2$, and n may be substituted for r. Note that in

equation (2), the term $\sum \frac{y_i^2}{\delta_i^2}$ describes the projection of x onto the DLSI space, while

$\varepsilon(x)$ approximates the distance from x to DLSI space.

When both $P(x \mid D_I)$ and $P(x \mid D_E)$ are computed, the Bayesian posteriori function

can be computed as:

$$P(D_I, x) = \frac{P(x \mid D_I)P(D_I)}{P(x \mid D_I)P(D_I) + P(x \mid D_E)P(D_E)},$$

where $P(D_I)$ is set to $1/n_c$ where n_c is the number of clusters in the database while

$P(D_E)$ is set to $1 - P(D_I)$. $P(D_I)$ can also be set to be an average number of recalls

divided by the number of clusters in the data base if it is not necessary that the clusters be

non-overlapped.

The setting up of a DLSI space-based classifier in accordance with the present

invention is summarized in Figure 1. Documents are preprocessed, step 100, to identify

and distinguish terms, either of the word or noun phrase, from stop words. System terms

are then constructed, step 110, by setting up the term list as well as the global weights.

The process continues with normalization of the document vectors, step 120, of all the

collected documents, as well as the centroid vectors of each cluster. Following document

vector normalization, the differential term by document matrices may be constructed by

intra-document or extra-document construction.

Decomposition of the differential term by intra-document matrix construction,

step 130, constructs the differential term by intra-document matrix $D_I^{m \times n_I}$, such that each

of its columns is a differential intra-document vector. For a cluster with s elements, $m\text{-}1$

differential intra-document vectors in D_I may be included to avoid the linear dependency

among columns.

The differential term is decomposed and approximated, step 140, by intra-document matrix D_I , by an SVD algorithm, into $D_I = U_I S_I V_I^T (S_I = diag(\delta_{I,1}, \delta_{I,2}, ...))$, followed by the composition of $D_{I,k_I} = U_{k_I} S_{k_I} V_{k_I}^T$ giving an approximate D_I in terms of an appropriate k_I . An intra-differential document vector likelihood function is set up, step 150 according to:

$$P(x \mid D_I) = \frac{n_I^{1/2} \exp\left(-\frac{n_I}{2} \sum_{i=1}^{k_I} \frac{y_i^2}{\delta_{I,i}^2}\right) \cdot \exp\left(-\frac{n_I \varepsilon^2(x)}{2\rho_I}\right)}{(2\pi)^{n_I/2} \prod_{i=1}^{k_I} \delta_{I,i} \cdot \rho_I^{(r_I - k_I)/2}} , \quad \text{..................} \quad (3)$$

where $y = U_{k_I}^T x$, $\varepsilon^2(x) = \| x \|^2 - \sum_{i=1}^{k_I} y_i^2$, $\rho_I = \frac{1}{r_I - k_I} \sum_{i=k_I+1}^{r_I} \delta_{I,i}^2$, and r_I is the rank of matrix D_I . In practice, r_I may be set to n_I, and ρ_I to $\delta_{I,k_I+1}^2/2$ if both n_I and m are sufficiently large.

Decomposition of the differential term by extra-document matrix construction, step 160, constructs the term by extra-document matrix $D_E^{m \times n_E}$, such that each of its columns is an extra-differential document vector. The differential term, D_E , is decomposed and approximated, step 170, by exploiting the SVD algorithm, into $D_E = U_E S_E V_E^T (S_E = diag(\delta_{E,1}, \delta_{E,2}, \cdots))$, then with a proper k_E , defining the $D_{E,k_E} = U_{k_E} S_{k_E} V_{k_E}^T$ to approximate D_E . An extra-differential document vector likelihood function is set up, step 180, according to:

$$P(x \mid D_E) = \frac{n_E^{1/2} \exp(-\frac{n_E}{2} \sum_{i=1}^{k_E} \frac{y_i^2}{\delta_{E,i}^2}) \cdot \exp(-\frac{n_E \varepsilon^2(x)}{2\rho_E})}{(2\pi)^{n_E/2} \prod_{i=1}^{k_E} \delta_{E,i} \cdot \rho_E^{(r_E - k_E)/2}} , \quad \text{..................} (4)$$

where $y = U_{k_E}^T x$, $\varepsilon^2(x) = \| x \|^2 - \sum_{i=1}^{k_E} y_i^2$, $\rho_E = \dfrac{1}{r_E - k_E} \sum_{i=k_E+1}^{r_E} \delta_{E,i}^2$, r_E is the rank of

matrix D_E. In practice, r_E may be set to n_E, and ρ_E to $\delta_{E,k_E+1}^2 / 2$ if both n_E and

m are sufficiently large.

Upon conclusion of the intra-document or extra-document matrix construction, a

posteriori function is set up, step 190, according to:

$$P(D_I \mid x) = \frac{P(x \mid D_I)P(D_I)}{P(x \mid D_I)P(D_I) + P(x \mid D_E)P(D_E)}, \quad \dots\dots\dots\dots\dots\dots(5)$$

where $P(D_I)$ is set to $1/n_c$ where n_c is the number of clusters in the database

and $P(D_E)$ is set to $1 - P(D_I)$.

The automatic classification by the DLSI space-based classifier in accordance

with the present invention is summarized in Figure 2. A document vector is set up, step

200, by generating the terms as well as their frequencies of occurrence in the document,

so that a normalized document vector N is obtained for the document from equation (1).

A group of procedures, step 210, are then repeated for each of the clusters of the

database. More specifically, using the document to be classified, a differential document

vector $x = N - C$, where C is the normalized vector giving the center or centroid of the

cluster, is constructed, step 211. As shown in steps 212, 213, either the intra-document

likelihood function $P(x \mid D_I)$, or the extra- document likelihood function $P(x \mid D_E)$ may

be calculated for the document. The Bayesian posteriori probability function $P(D_I \mid x)$ is

then calculated, step 214. Finally, the cluster having a largest $P(D_I \mid x)$ is selected as the

recall candidate, step 220.

The present invention may be demonstrated with the following example. Assume the following eight documents are in the database:

T_1: Algebra and Geometry Education System.

T_2: The Software of Computing Machinery.

5   T_3: Analysis and Elements of Geometry.

T_4: Introduction to Modern Algebra and Geometry.

T_5: Theoretical Analysis in Physics.

T_6: Introduction to Elements of Dynamics.

T_7: Modern Alumina.

10   T_8: The Foundation of Chemical Science.

It is known that these documents belong to four clusters, $T_1,T_2 \in C_1$, $T_3,T_4 \in C_2$, $T_5,T_6 \in C_3$ and $T_7,T_8 \in C_4$ where C_1 belongs to computer related field, C_2 to mathematics, C_3 to physics, and C_4 to chemical science. The classifier of the present invention may be set up to classify the following new document, N: "The Elements of

15   Computing Science" as follows.

A conventional matching method of "common" words does not work in this example, because the words "compute" and, "science" in the new document appear in C_1 and C_4 separately, while the word "elements" occurs in both C_2 and C_3 simultaneously, giving no indication of the appropriate candidate of classification by simply counting the

20   "common" words among documents.

Setting up the DLSI-based classifier and LSI-based classifier for this example begins by setting up the document vectors of the database giving the term by document matrix as

in Table 1 which simply counts the frequency of occurrences; the normalized form is

given in Table 2.

Table 1: The term by document matrix of the original documents

	T_1	T_2	T_3	T_4	T_5	T_6	T_7	T_8
Algebra	1	0	0	1	0	0	0	0
Alumina	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0
Analysis	0	0	1	0	1	0	0	0
Chemical	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
Compute	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0
Dynamics	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0
Education	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Element	0	0	1	0	0	1	0	0
Foundation	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
Geometry	1	0	1	1	0	0	0	0
Introduction	0	0	0	1	0	1	0	0
Machine	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0
Modern	0	0	0	1	0	0	1	0
Physics	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0
Science	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
Software	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0
System	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Theory	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0

Table 2: The normalized document vectors

	T_1	T_2	T_3	T_4	T_5	T_6	T_7	T_8
Algebra	0.5	0	0	0.5	0	0	0	0
Alumina	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.707106781	0
Analysis	0	0	0.577350269	0	0.577350269	0	0	0
Chemical	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.577350269
Compute	0	0.577350269	0	0	0	0	0	0
Dynamics	0	0	0	0	0	0.577350269	0	0
Education	0.5	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Element	0	0	0.577350269	0	0	0.577350269	0	0
Foundation	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.577350269
Geometry	0.5	0	0.577350269	0.5	0	0	0	0
Introduction	0	0	0	0.5	0	0.577350269	0	0
Machine	0	0.577350269	0	0	0	0	0	0
Modern	0	0	0	0.5	0	0	0.707106781	0
Physics	0	0	0	0	0.577350269	0	0	0
Science	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.577350269
Software	0	0.577350269	0	0	0	0	0	0
System	0.5	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Theory	0	0	0	0	0.577350269	0	0	0

The document vector for the new document N is given by:

$(0,0,0,0,1,0,0,1,0,0,0,0,0,0,1,0,0,0)^T$, and in normalized form by

$0,0,0,0,0.577350269,0,0,0.577350269,0,0,0,0,0,0,0.577350269,0,0,0)^T$.

For the DLSI space-based classifier, the normalized form of the centroid of each

cluster may be obtained in Table 3:

Table 3: The normalized cluster centers

	C_1	C_2	C_3	C_4
Algebra	0.353553391	0.311446376	0	0
Alumina	0	0	0	0.5
Analysis	0	0.359627298	0.40824829	0
Chemical	0	0	0	0.40824829
Compute	0.40824829	0	0	0
Dynamics	0	0	0.40824829	0
Education	0.353553391	0	0	0
Element	0	0.359627298	0.40824829	0
Foundation	0	0	0	0.40824829
Geometry	0.353553391	0.671073675	0	0
Introduction	0	0.311446376	0.40824829	0
Machine	0.40824829	0	0	0
Modern	0	0.311446376	0	0.5
Physics	0	0	0.40824829	0
Science	0	0	0	0.40824829
Software	0.40824829	0	0	0
System	0.353553391	0	0	0
Theory	0	0	0.40824829	0

Following the procedure of the previous section, both the interior differential term

by document matrix $D_I^{18\times4}$ and the exterior differential term by document matrix $D_E^{18\times4}$

may be constructed as in Table 4 and Table 5, respectively.

Table 4: Interior Differential term by document matrix

	$T_1 - C_1$	$T_3 - C_2$	$T_5 - C_3$	$T_7 - C_4$
Algebra	0.146446609	-0.31144638	0	0
Alumina	0	0	0	0.207106781
Analysis	0	0.217722971	0.169101979	0
Chemical	0	0	0	-0.40824829
Compute	-0.40824829	0	0	0
Dynamics	0	0	-0.40824829	0
Education	0.146446609	0	0	0
Element	0	0.217722971	-0.40824829	0
Foundation	0	0	0	-0.40824829
Geometry	0.146446609	-0.09372341	0	0
Introduction	0	-0.31144638	-0.40824829	0
Machinery	-0.40824829	0	0	0
Modern	0	-0.31144638	0	0.207106781
Physics	0	0	0.169101979	0
Science	0	0	0	-0.40824829
Software	-0.40824829	0	0	0
System	0.146446609	0	0	0
Theory	0	0	0.169101979	0

Table 5: Exterior differential term by document matrix

	$T_2 - C_2$	$T_4 - C_3$	$T_6 - C_4$	$T_8 - C_1$
Algebra	-0.311446376	0.5	0	-0.353553391
Alumina	0	0	-0.5	0
Analysis	-0.359627298	-0.40824829	0	0
Chemical	0	0	-0.40824829	0.577350269
Compute	0.577350269	0	0	-0.40824829
Dynamics	0	-0.40824829	0.577350269	0
Education	0	0	0	-0.353553391
Element	-0.359627298	-0.40824829	0.577350269	0
Foundation	0	0	-0.40824829	0.577350269
Geometry	-0.671073675	0.5	0	-0.353553391
Introduction	-0.311446376	0.09175171	0.577350269	0
Machinery	0.577350269	0	0	-0.40824829
Modern	-0.311446376	0.5	-0.5	0
Physics	0	-0.40824829	0	0
Science	0	0	-0.40824829	0.577350269
Software	0.577350269	0	0	-0.40824829
System	0	0	0	-0.353553391
Theory	0	-0.40824829	0	0

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Once the D_I and D_E are given, they are decomposed into $D_I = U_I S_I V_I^T$ and

$D_E = U_E S_E V_{EI}^T$ by using SVD algorithm, where

$$U_I = \begin{pmatrix}
0.25081 & 0.0449575 & -0.157836 & -0.428217 \\
0.130941 & 0.172564 & 0.143423 & 0.0844264 \\
-0.240236 & 0.162075 & -0.043428 & 0.257507 \\
-0.25811 & -0.340158 & -0.282715 & -0.166421 \\
-0.237435 & -0.125328 & 0.439997 & -0.15309 \\
0.300435 & -0.391284 & 0.104845 & 0.193711 \\
0.0851724 & 0.0449575 & -0.157836 & 0.0549164 \\
0.184643 & -0.391284 & 0.104845 & 0.531455 \\
-0.25811 & -0.340158 & -0.282715 & -0.166421 \\
0.135018 & 0.0449575 & -0.157836 & -0.0904727 \\
0.466072 & -0.391284 & 0.104845 & -0.289423 \\
-0.237435 & -0.125328 & 0.439997 & -0.15309 \\
0.296578 & 0.172564 & 0.143423 & -0.398707 \\
-0.124444 & 0.162075 & -0.043428 & -0.0802377 \\
-0.25811 & -0.340158 & -0.282715 & -0.166421 \\
-0.237435 & -0.125328 & 0.439997 & -0.15309 \\
0.0851724 & 0.0449575 & -0.157836 & 0.0549164 \\
-0.124444 & 0.162075 & -0.043428 & -0.0802377
\end{pmatrix}$$

$S_I = diag(0.800028, 0.765367, 0.765367, 0.583377)$

$$V_I = \begin{pmatrix}
0.465291 & 0.234959 & -0.824889 & 0.218762 \\
-0.425481 & -2.12675E-9 & 1.6628E-9 & 0.904967 \\
-0.588751 & 0.733563 & -0.196558 & -0.276808 \\
0.505809 & 0.637715 & 0.530022 & 0.237812
\end{pmatrix}$$

$$U_E = \begin{pmatrix} 0.00466227 & -0.162108 & 0.441095 & 0.0337051 \\ -0.214681 & 0.13568 & 0.0608733 & -0.387353 \\ 0.0265475 & -0.210534 & -0.168537 & -0.529866 \\ -0.383378 & 0.047418 & -0.195619 & 0.0771912 \\ 0.216445 & 0.397068 & 0.108622 & 0.00918756 \\ 0.317607 & -0.147782 & -0.27922 & 0.0964353 \\ 0.12743 & 0.0388027 & 0.150228 & -0.240946 \\ 0.27444 & -0.367204 & -0.238827 & -0.0825893 \\ -0.383378 & 0.047418 & -0.195619 & 0.0771912 \\ -0.0385053 & -0.38153 & 0.481487 & -0.145319 \\ 0.19484 & -0.348692 & 0.0116464 & 0.371087 \\ 0.216445 & 0.397068 & 0.108622 & 0.00918756 \\ -0.337448 & -0.0652302 & 0.351739 & -0.112702 \\ 0.069715 & 0.00888817 & -0.208929 & -0.350841 \\ -0.383378 & 0.047418 & -0.195619 & 0.0771912 \\ 0.216445 & 0.397068 & 0.108622 & 0.00918756 \\ 0.12743 & 0.0388027 & 0.150228 & -0.240946 \\ 0.069715 & 0.00888817 & -0.208929 & -0.350841 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$S_E = diag(1.67172, 1.47695, 1.45881, 0.698267)$$

$$V_E = \begin{pmatrix} 0.200663 & 0.901144 & -0.163851 & 0.347601 \\ -0.285473 & -0.0321555 & 0.746577 & 0.600078 \\ 0.717772 & -0.400787 & -0.177605 & 0.540952 \\ -0.60253 & -0.162097 & -0.619865 & 0.475868 \end{pmatrix}$$

The number k is chosen in such a way that $\delta_k - \delta_{k+1}$ remains sufficiently large. As an example to test the classifier, $k_I = k_E = 1$ and $k_I = k_E = 3$. Now using equations (3), (4) and (5), it is possible to calculate the $P(x|D_I)$, $P(x|D_E)$ and finally $P(D_I|x)$ for each differential document vector $x = N - C_i (i = 1,2,3,4)$ as shown in Table 6. The C_i having a largest $P(D_I(N - C_i))$ is chosen as the cluster to which the new document N belongs. Note that, we here set $\rho_I = \dfrac{1}{r_I - k_I} \sum\limits_{i=k_I+1}^{r_I} \delta_{I,i}^2$, $\rho_E = \dfrac{1}{r_E - k_E} \sum\limits_{i=k_E+1}^{r_E} \delta_{E,i}^2$ since both

n_E are actually quite small. From the last row of Table 6, it can be seen that Cluster 2 should be chosen, that is, "Mathematics", regardless of whether the set of parameters $k_I = k_E = 1$ or $k_I = k_E = 3$ is chosen.

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Table 6: Classification with DLSI space based classifier

X:	$k_I=k_E=1$				$k_I=k_E=3$			
	$N - C_1$	$N - C_2$	$N - C_3$	$N - C_4$	$N - C_1$	$N - C_2$	$N - C_3$	$N - C_4$
$U_{k_I}^T x$	-0.085338834	-0.565752063	-0.368120678	-0.077139955	-0.085338834	-0.556196907	-0.368120678	-0.077139955
					-0.404741071	-0.403958563	-0.213933843	-0.250613624
					-0.164331163	0.249931018	0.076118938	0.35416984
$P(x \mid D_I)$	0.000413135	0.000430473	0.00046034	0.000412671	3.79629E-05	7.03221E-05	3.83428E-05	3.75847E-05
$U_{k_E}^T x$	-0.281162007	0.022628465	-0.326936108	0.807673935	-0.281162007	-0.01964297	-0.326936108	0.807673935
					-0.276920807	0.6527666	0.475906836	-0.048681069
					-0.753558043	-0.619983845	0.258017361	-0.154837357
$P(x \mid D_E)$	0.002310807	0.002065451	0.002345484	0.003140447	0.003283825	0.001838634	0.001627501	0.002118787
$P(D_I \mid x)$	0.056242843	0.064959115	0.061404975	0.041963635	0.003838728	0.012588493	0.007791905	0.005878172

The LSI based-classifier works by first employing an SVD algorithm on the term by document matrix to set up a LSI space; then the classification is completed within the

10   LSI space.

For the current simple example, the LSI-based classifier could be set up as follows. First, the SVD is used to decompose the normalized term by document matrix as shown in Table 2. Second, the LSI space is selected. Third, the approximate documents for all the documents $T_1, T_2 \cdots, T_8$ in the LSI space are located. Fourth, the centroid of each cluster is

15   found, and finally the similarity of the document vector for the new document N to be classified is calculated, obtaining the centroid vector based on the cosine formula, and finding the cluster having a largest similarity with the document vector to be classified.

The normalized term by document matrix D of Table 2 is decomposed into USV^T

by an SVD algorithm, where

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U = \begin{pmatrix}
-0.371982 & 0.239604 & -0.333537 & 0.0378007 & 2.79314\text{E}-17 & 4.54904\text{E}-17 & -0.297399 & -0.0 \\
-0.109476 & 0.316205 & 0.415044 & 0.308779 & 9.62361\text{E}-7 & -1.79246\text{E}-6 & 0.238807 & 0.4\text{.} \\
-0.279847 & -0.539958 & 0.0815064 & 0.346579 & 9.62361\text{E}-7 & -1.79246\text{E}-6 & 0.208068 & -0.0 \\
-3.78408\text{E}-19 & -3.00383\text{E}-17 & -7.51455\text{E}-9 & -6.63053\text{E}-8 & -0.503085 & -0.283265 & 8.14276\text{E}-19 & 1.205 \\
-1.44898\text{E}-16 & 3.62379\text{E}-16 & 3.74051\text{E}-7 & 3.30047\text{E}-6 & -0.283265 & 0.503085 & -1.0325\text{E}-16 & 1.281 \\
-0.145675 & -0.0994425 & 0.252031 & -0.38438 & -9.62361\text{E}-7 & 1.79246\text{E}-6 & -0.229976 & 0.36 \\
-0.163994 & 0.0835204 & -0.333537 & 0.0378007 & -1.63966\text{E}-17 & -5.09886\text{E}-18 & -0.0530789 & 0.48 \\
-0.352831 & -0.329155 & 0.252031 & -0.38438 & -9.62361\text{E}-7 & 1.79246\text{E}-6 & 0.367272 & 0.1 \\
-1.31025\text{E}-19 & -2.01525\text{E}-17 & -7.51455\text{E}-9 & -6.63053\text{E}-8 & -0.503085 & -0.283265 & -4.86527\text{E}-17 & -3.33 \\
-0.579138 & 0.00989091 & -0.333537 & 0.0378007 & -1.06161\text{E}-16 & 7.57296\text{E}-17 & 0.29985 & -0. \\
-0.353663 & 0.0566407 & 0.252031 & -0.38438 & -9.62361\text{E}-7 & 1.79246\text{E}-6 & -0.474296 & -0. \\
-1.44983\text{E}-16 & 3.58996\text{E}-16 & 3.74051\text{E}-7 & 3.30047\text{E}-6 & -0.283265 & 0.503085 & -8.6321\text{E}-17 & 1.2 \\
-0.317464 & 0.472288 & 0.415044 & 0.308779 & 9.62361\text{E}-7 & -1.79246\text{E}-6 & -0.00551332 & -0. \\
-0.0726917 & -0.310246 & 0.0815064 & 0.346579 & 9.62361\text{E}-7 & -1.79246\text{E}-6 & -0.389181 & 0.0 \\
-1.31025\text{E}-19 & -2.01525\text{E}-17 & -7.51455\text{E}-9 & -6.63053\text{E}-8 & -0.503085 & -0.283265 & -4.86527\text{E}-17 & -3.33 \\
-1.44983\text{E}-16 & 3.58996\text{E}-16 & 3.74051\text{E}-7 & 3.30047\text{E}-6 & -0.283265 & 0.503085 & -8.6321\text{E}-17 & 1.29 \\
-0.163994 & 0.0835204 & -0.333537 & 0.0378007 & 9.46257\text{E}-17 & -1.16121\text{E}-16 & -0.0530789 & 0.48 \\
-0.0726917 & -0.310246 & 0.0815064 & 0.346579 & 9.62361\text{E}-7 & -1.79246\text{E}-6 & -0.389181 & 0.08
\end{pmatrix}
$$

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$$S = diag(1.3964, 1.11661, 1., 1., 1., 1., 0.698897, 0.561077)$$

$$V = \begin{pmatrix}
-0.458003 & 0.186519 & -0.667075 & 0.0756013 & 0 & 0 & -0.0741933 & 0.547024 \\
-3.22687E-16 & 6.47125E-16 & 6.47876E-7 & 5.71659E-6 & -0.490629 & 0.871369 & -1.51577E-16 & 8.30516E-17 \\
-0.501034 & -0.444268 & 1.42655E-10 & 5.11457E-11 & -1.65476E-17 & -1.46367E-16 & 0.722984 & -0.169956 \\
-0.580868 & 0.348567 & 3.44631E-10 & -1.24557E-10 & -1.55908E-16 & 3.51498E-16 & -0.341509 & -0.65151 \\
-0.175814 & -0.60002 & 0.141173 & 0.600293 & 1.66686E-6 & -3.10464E-6 & -0.471113 & 0.0826804 \\
-0.352335 & -0.192324 & 0.43653 & -0.665766 & -1.66686E-6 & 3.10464E-6 & -0.278392 & 0.357165 \\
-0.216193 & 0.499324 & 0.586961 & 0.436679 & 1.36098E-6 & -2.53493E-6 & 0.236034 & 0.336173 \\
-3.16901E-19 & -3.89753E-17 & -1.30156E-8 & -1.14844E-7 & -0.871369 & -0.490629 & -5.88953E-17 & -3.23798E-18
\end{pmatrix}$$

As in the DLSI computation, the number k used in computing the largest eigen values is chosen such that $\delta_k - \delta_{k+1}$ is sufficiently large. As an example to set up the classifier for testing the result, make $k = 6$ and $k = 2$. Noting that the similarity is calculated as the angle between vectors in LSI space, the dimension of the LSI space should be at least two so that k should be larger than one. Once k is chosen, the term by document matrix D may be approximated by $D_k = U_k S_k V_k^T$. Thus, the projection of the document T_i onto the LSI space is calculated to be $S_k V_k^T e_i$ with e_i being defined as the ith column of an 8×8 identity matrix. These projections of documents are shown in Table 7. Since the similarity is calculated by a cosine of angles in the LSI space, the centroid vector of each cluster should be calculated as a mean of the member documents normalized. These centroid vectors are shown in Table 8, where C_i in the table indicates the centroids of cluster C_i. The projection of the document to be classified, document N, in the LSI space is also shown in Table 8, where the projection is calculated as $U_k^T N$, with N being the normalized vector. The similarity between a centroid vector and the document in LSI space is calculated according to cosine of the angle between in the space, expressed as

$$\text{Cosine }(C_i, N) = \frac{C_i U_k^T N}{\| C_i \|_2 \| U_k^T N \|_2}.$$

The results of the similarity are shown in Table 9, and imply that for both cases of

$k = 2$ and $k = 6$, the most likely cluster to which the document N belongs is C_3, namely

"Physics".

Table 7: Location of all the files in LSI space

	T_1	T_2	T_3	T_4	T_5	T_6	T_7	T_8
k=6	-0.639555	-4.50600E-16	-0.699644	-0.811124	-0.245507	-0.492001	-0.301892	-4.42521E-19
	0.208269	7.22586E-16	-0.496074	0.389213	-0.669988	-0.214751	0.55755	-4.35202E-17
	-0.667075	6.47876E-07	1.42655E-10	3.44631E-10	0.141173	0.43653	0.586961	-1.30156E-08
	0.0756013	5.71659E-06	5.11457E-11	-1.24557E-10	0.600293	-0.665766	0.436679	-1.14844E-07
	0	-0.490629	-1.65476E-17	-1.55908E-16	1.66686E-06	-1.66686E-06	1.36098E-06	-0.871369
	0	0.871369	-1.46367E-16	3.51498E-16	-3.10464E-06	3.10464E-06	-2.53493E-06	-0.490629
k=2	-0.639555	-4.50600E-16	-0.699644	-0.811124	-0.245507	-0.492001	-0.301892	-4.42521E-19
	0.208269	7.22586E-16	-0.496074	0.389213	-0.669988	-0.214751	0.55755	-4.35202E-17

Table 8: Centroids of clusters and the projection of document N onto the LSI space

	C_1	C_2	C_3	C_4	$U_k^T N$
K=6	-0.336493975	-0.858665634	-0.386356375	-0.155920264	-0.203707073
	0.109578165	-0.072891573	-0.467030951	0.287961732	-0.190037728
	-0.350972959	2.74696E-10	0.302156932	0.30315183	0.145510377
	0.03977955	-3.94068E-11	-0.028425618	0.225534588	-0.221920029
	-0.245314408	-9.62941E-17	1.57379E-08	-0.435683634	-0.45399994
	0.435684337	1.10019E-16	-2.93130E-08	-0.245315717	0.126914171
k=2	-0.739996822	-0.858665634	-0.630280736	-0.243155737	-0.203707073
	0.579088223	-0.072891573	-0.669492215	-0.060290444	-0.190037728

Table 9: Cosine of the projections of the centers and the document in LSI space

	Cosine (C_1, N)	Cosine (C_2, N)	Cosine (C_3, N)	Cosine (C_4, N)
k=6	0.359061035	0.359993858	0.527874697	0.320188454
k=2	0.15545458	0.78629345	0.997897255	0.873890479

For this simple example, the DLSI space-based approach finds the most

reasonable cluster for the document "The Elements of Computing Science" from the

classifiers using either one or three dimensions for the DLSI-I and DLSI-E spaces.

The LSI approach, however, fails to predict this for both of the classifiers computed using two or four dimensional LSI space. It should be noted that for the particular example, one or three dimensions for DLSI space, and two or four dimensions for the LSI space represent the most reasonable dimensions to choose.

5   Although only one example has been explained in detail, it is to be understood that the example has been given by way of illustration only. Accordingly, the foregoing description should be considered as illustrative only of the principles of the invention. The invention may be configured to address various document classification tasks and numerous applications of the present invention will readily occur to those skilled in the

10   art. Therefore, it is not desired to limit the invention to the specific examples disclosed or the exact construction and operation shown and described. Rather, all suitable modifications and equivalents may be resorted to, falling within the scope of the invention.

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WE CLAIM:

1. A method of setting up a DLSI space-based classifier for document classification comprising the steps of:

preprocessing documents to distinguish terms of a word and a noun phrase from stop words;

constructing system terms by setting up a term list as well as global weights;

normalizing document vectors of collected documents, as well as centroid vectors of each cluster;

constructing a differential term by intra-document matrix $D_I^{m \times n_I}$, such that each column in said matrix is a differential intra-document vector;

decomposing the differential term by intra-document matrix D_I , by an SVD algorithm, into $D_I = U_I S_I V_I^T (S_I = diag(\delta_{I,1}, \delta_{I,2}, \cdots))$, followed by a composition of $D_{I,k_I} = U_{k_I} S_{k_I} V_{k_I}^T$ giving an approximate D_I in terms of an appropriate k_I ;

setting up a likelihood function of intra-differential document vector;

constructing a term by extra-document matrix $D_E^{m \times n_E}$, such that each column of said extra-document matrix is an extra-differential document vector;

decomposing D_E , by exploiting the SVD algorithm, into $D_E = U_E S_E V_E^T (S_E = diag(\delta_{E,1}, \delta_{E,2}, \cdots))$, then with a proper k_E , defining $D_{E,k_E} = U_{k_E} S_{k_E} V_{k_E}^T$ to approximate D_E ;

setting up a likelihood function of extra-differential document vector;

setting up a posteriori function; and

using the DLSI space-based classifier to automatically classify a document.

2. An automatic document classification method using a DLSI space-based classifier for classifying a document in accordance with clusters in a database, comprising the steps of :

a) setting up a document vector by generating terms as well as frequencies of occurrence of said terms in the document, so that a normalized document vector N is obtained for the document;

b) constructing, using the document to be classified, a differential document vector $x = N - C$, where C is the normalized vector giving a center or centroid of a cluster;

c) calculating an intra-document likelihood function $P(x \mid D_I)$ for the document;

d) calculating an extra-document likelihood function $P(x \mid D_E)$ for the document;

e) calculating a Bayesian posteriori probability function $P(D_I \mid x)$;

f) repeating, for each of the clusters of the data base, steps b-e;

g) selecting a cluster having a largest $P(D_I \mid x)$ as the cluster to which the document most likely belongs; and

h) classifying the document in the selected cluster.

3. The method as set forth in claim 2, wherein the normalized document vector N is obtained using an equation, $b_{ij} = a_{ij} / \sqrt{\sum_{k=1}^{m} a_{kj}^2}$.

4. A method of setting up a DLSI space-based classifier for document classification, comprising the steps of:

setting up a differential term by intra-document matrix where each column

of the matrix denotes a difference between a document and a centroid of a cluster to

which the document belongs;

decomposing the differential term by intra-document matrix by an SVD

algorithm to identify an intra-DLSI space;

setting up a probability function for a differential document vector being a

differential intra-document vector;

calculating the probability function according to projection and distance

from the differential document vector to the intra-DLSI space;

setting up a differential term by extra-document matrix where each

column of the matrix denotes a differential document vector between a document vector

and a centroid vector of a cluster which does not include the document;

decomposing the differential term by extra-document matrix by an SVD

algorithm to identify an extra-DLSI space;

setting up a probability function for a differential document vector being a

differential extra-document vector;

setting up a posteriori likelihood function using the differential

intra-document and differential extra-document vectors to provide a most probable

similarity measure of a document belonging to a cluster; and

using the DLSI space-based classifier to automatically classify a

document.

5. The method as set forth in claim 4, wherein the step of setting up a probability function for a differential document vector being a differential intra-document vector is performed using an equation,

$$P(x \mid D_I) = \frac{n_I^{1/2} \exp\left(-\frac{n_I}{2} \sum_{i=1}^{k_I} \frac{y_i^2}{\delta_{I,i}^2}\right) \cdot \exp\left(-\frac{n_I \varepsilon^2(x)}{2\rho_I}\right)}{(2\pi)^{n_I/2} \prod_{i=1}^{k_I} \delta_{I,i} \cdot \rho^{(n_I - k_I)/2}},$$

where $y = U_{k_I}^T x$, $\varepsilon^2(x) = \| x \|^2 - \sum_{i=1}^{k_I} y_i^2$, $\rho_I = \frac{1}{r_I - k_I} \sum_{i=k_I+1}^{r_I} \delta_{I,i}^2$, and r_I is the rank of

matrix D_I.

6. The method as set forth in claim 4, wherein the step of setting up a probability function for a differential document vector being a differential extra-document vector is performed using an equation,

$$P(x \mid D_E) = \frac{n_E^{1/2} \exp(-\frac{n_E}{2} \sum_{i=1}^{k_E} \frac{y_i^2}{\delta_{E,i}^2}) \cdot \exp(-\frac{n_E \varepsilon^2(x)}{2\rho_E})}{(2\pi)^{n_E/2} \prod_{i=1}^{k_E} \delta_{E,i} \cdot \rho_E^{(r_E - k_E)/2}},$$

where $y = U_{k_E}^T x$, $\varepsilon^2(x) = \| x \|^2 - \sum_{i=1}^{k_E} y_i^2$, $\rho_E = \frac{1}{r_E - k_E} \sum_{i=k_E+1}^{r_E} \delta_{E,i}^2$, r_E is the rank of

matrix D_E.

7. The method as set forth in claim 4, wherein the step of setting up a posteriori likelihood function is performed using an equation,

$$P(D_I \mid x) = \frac{P(x \mid D_I)P(D_I)}{P(x \mid D_I)P(D_I) + P(x \mid D_E)P(D_E)},$$

where $P(D_I)$ is set to $1/n_c$ where n_c is the number of clusters in the database

and $P(D_E)$ is set to $1 - P(D_I)$.

8. The method as set forth in claim 4, the step of using the DLSI space-based classifier to automatically classify a document comprising the steps of:

a) setting up a document vector by generating terms as well as frequencies of occurrence of said terms in the document, so that a normalized document vector N is obtained for the document;

b) constructing, using the document to be classified, a differential document vector $x = N - C$, where C is the normalized vector giving a center or centroid of a cluster;

c) calculating an intra-document likelihood function $P(x \mid D_I)$ for the document;

d) calculating an extra-document likelihood function $P(x \mid D_E)$ for the document;

e) calculating a Bayesian posteriori probability function $P(D_I \mid x)$;

f) repeating, for each of the clusters of the data base, steps b-e;

g) selecting a cluster having a largest $P(D_I \mid x)$ as the cluster to which the document most likely belongs; and

h) classifying the document in the selected cluster.

9.   The method as set forth in claim 8, wherein the normalized document vector N is obtained using an equation, $b_{ij} = a_{ij} \Big/ \sqrt{\sum_{k=1}^{m} a_{kj}^2}$.
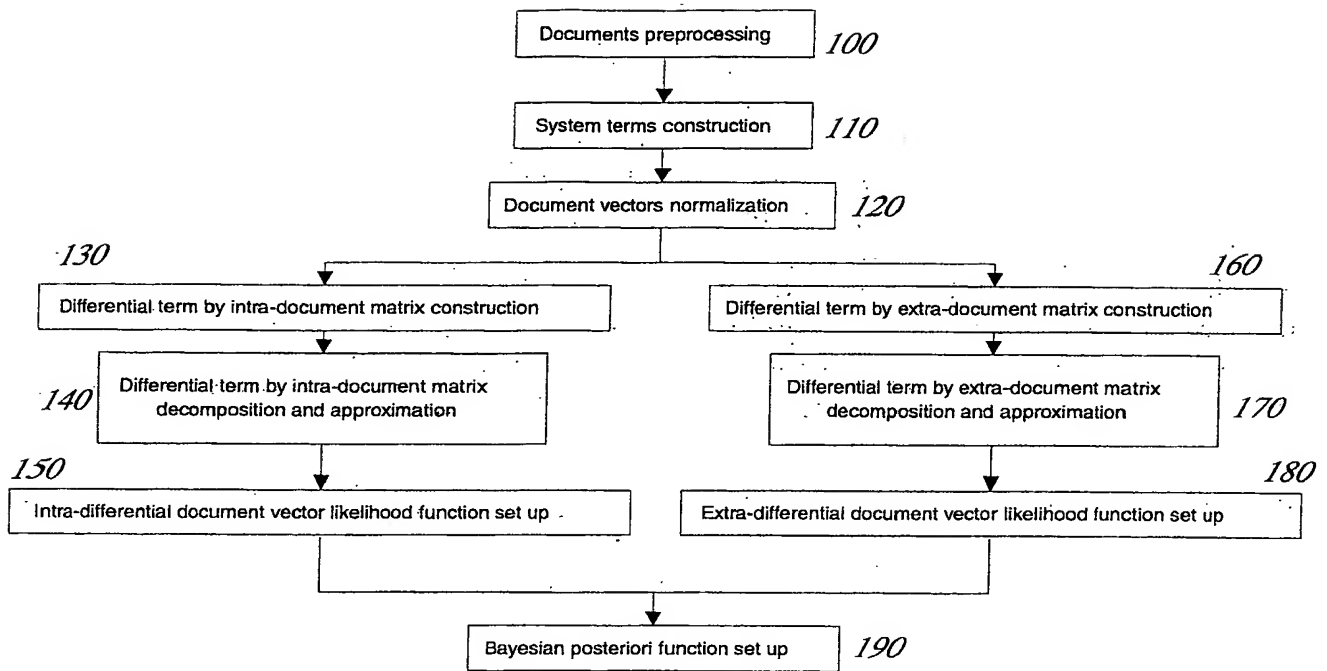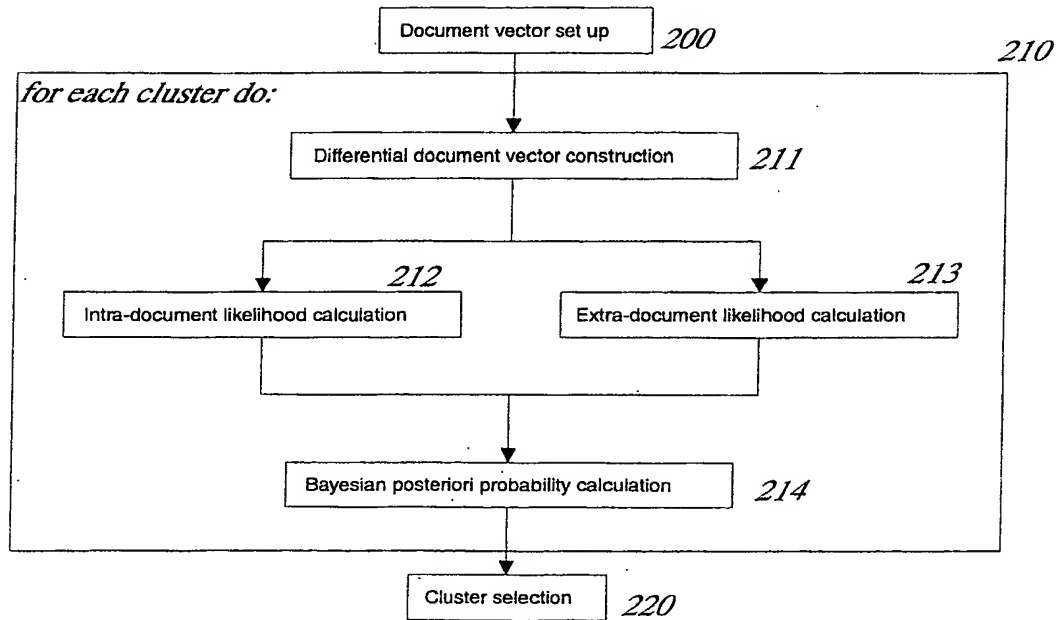
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│  System terms construction  │  110
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│ Document vectors normalization │  120
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│        matrix construction            │        │        matrix construction            │
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│      likelihood function set up       │        │      likelihood function set up       │
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              │   Document vector set up     │  200
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│ for each cluster do:                                                           │
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FIG. 2